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you play on the legislature this afternoon. If you had really listened to Senator Frank Lewis in his great speech before 12:00 noon, I think that if it really would have soaked in, if it would have really done the job on you, you should be with us this afternoon trying to see that our little orphan sister that sits to the south of us that has grown into a large and giant populous area, that is Sarpy County. The third largest in the State of Nebraska. This is where the sons and daughters of the families that live in my district have moved in the last ten years. These people are not represented on this board. So, Senator Chambers instead of completely cutting this thing off at its neck, you should be joining with Senator Lewis and helping little Bellevue. It is not only little Bellevue, you are talking about all of Sarpy County. This is a county that was the first, as you all remember when Peter Sarpy put his foot on the soil at the Missouri River and said beautiful, beautiful view, but the beautiful view the only thing that they have gotten from MUD is a bunch of derricks that has been extracted the water from that county. Yes, we go down some ten-fifteen miles onto the Platte River in Sarpy County and there was some condemnation and we put up great water things, such as Lancaster County is also coming down and picking on the little crippled county. One of the smallest counties in the state, Sarpy County is having water extracted both from the front and from the behind. They are taking from down on the east and now Lincoln wants it from the west. I want Lincoln to have their water, and I think that Senator Keyes is going to look at this thing in a compromising way. I would really feel, and I feel very strongly Senator Chambers that you have done a terrible disservice to Senator Lewis, your seatmate. You should be backing him on this bill. Senator Koch got up here before lunch and he come up with the idea of experience and time and time again he just belabored that word experience. Well you know Senator Koch, unless you get on one of these boards, and they only meet once a month, they don't have the fast track that this legislature has in which you have to get down on that highway and be here at 8:00 each morning. You have five days a week and you have all of your meetings at night, but the MUD board like the OPP board is kind of like a senior citizens group. They meet once a month, once a month. I think that it would take a lot of once a month experiences before you would begin to understand how to go down into another county and extract the water from them. I can see nothing wrong with Governors and people make appointments and they get six year appointments, what is wrong with letting a man have a six year appointment before he stands for election? I think that if you really want to show Senator Lewis that you want to help the little county, Senator Dickinson, the little county of Sarpy County, a county that you are very close to, a county in which the MUD has run all of their water and gas lines under ground in all directions, if you want to see that Sarpy County gets some representation instead of taking something away from them, let that county at least have a representative on this giant tremendously large MUD which is supposed to be a part of the people. Sarpy County growing in the last ten years, the third largest county in the state and you are neglecting and denying and you are stopping them from having this. I don't blame Senator Lewis for getting up and giving one of his great speeches this afternoon. I